

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This Listing of Claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in this application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Withdrawn) A Ubiquinol-enriched oil/fat-containing food.
2. (Withdrawn) The oil/fat-containing food according to claim 1, which further contains ubiquinone.
3. (Withdrawn) The oil/fat-containing food according to claim 1 or 2, wherein the ubiquinol/ubiquinone ratio is not less than 1/2 (by weight).
4. (Withdrawn) The oil/fat-containing food according to claim 2, which has been enriched with ubiquinol and ubiquinone in a proportion of 0.0001 to 50% by weight as ubiquinone based on the total weight of the oil/fat-containing food.
5. (Withdrawn) The oil/fat-containing food according to claim 2, wherein the oil/fat content is not less than 0.5% by weight.
6. (Withdrawn) The oil/fat-containing food according to or claim 2, wherein the weight ratio of ubiquinol to oil/fat is not more than 1.
7. (Withdrawn) The oil/fat-containing food according to claim 1, which is at least one species selected from the group consisting of edible oils/fats, milk, dairy products, sauces, breads, pies, cakes, confections, roux, seasoning liquors, ice confections, noodles, processed foods, boiled rice preparations, jams, canned foods, and beverages.
8. (Withdrawn) The oil/fat-containing food according to claim 2, which further contains an antioxidant and/or an edible color.

9. (Withdrawn) The oil/fat-containing food according to claim 8, wherein the antioxidant and/or edible color is at least one species selected from the group consisting of ascorbyl palmitate, ascorbyl stearate, catechin, lecithin, tocopherol, tocotrienol, lignan, and carotenoid.

10. (Withdrawn) The oil/fat-containing food according to claim 1, which is a colorless or white to pale yellow food.

11. (Withdrawn) The oil/fat-containing food according to claim 10, wherein the colorless or white to pale yellow food is at least one species selected from the group consisting of edible oils/fats, milk, dairy products and beverages.

12. (Withdrawn) The oil/fat-containing food according to claim 1, wherein the ubiquinol is an (all-E)-isomer.

13. (Withdrawn) The oil/fat-containing food according to claim 2, wherein the process for producing the ubiquinol is a fermentation process.

14. (Withdrawn) A process for supplying ubiquinol which comprises ingesting the oil/fat-containing food according to claim 1.

15. (Currently Amended) A process for producing a ubiquinol-enriched oil/fat-containing food product for human ingestion

which comprises dissolving ubiquinol in oil/ fat under heating, cooling an obtained solution to give a homogeneous oil/ fat composition and manufacturing the ubiquinol-enriched oil/fat-containing food product using the composition

wherein the oil/fat has a melting point of not lower than 20°C and the homogeneous oil/ fat composition is obtained by cooling the obtained solution by quenching to 20°C or below thereby solidifying the composition or cooling the obtained solution by quenching to 20°C or below and kneading it thereby plasticizing the composition or the oil/fat has a melting point of below 20°C and the homogenous liquid oil/solid fat composition is an oil-in-water emulsion by quenching the obtained solution to 10°C or below.

16. (Previously Presented) A process for producing the ubiquinol-enriched oil/fat-containing food product

according to claim 15 which comprises adding ubiquinol having a purity in excess of 0.01%.

17. (Withdrawn) The oil/fat-containing food according to claim 1, wherein the ubiquinol/ubiquinone ratio is not less than 1/2 (by weight).

18. (Withdrawn) The oil/fat-containing food according to claim 1, which has been enriched with ubiquinol and ubiquinone in a proportion of 0.0001 to 50% by weight as ubiquinone based on the total weight of the oil/fat-containing food.

19. (Withdrawn) The oil/fat-containing food according to claim 1, wherein the oil/fat content is not less than 0.5% by weight.

20. (Withdrawn) The oil/fat-containing food according to claim 1, wherein the weight ratio of ubiquinol to oil/fat is not more than 1.

21. (Previously Presented) The process for producing the ubiquinol-enriched oil/fat-containing food product for human ingestion according to Claim 15 wherein the ubiquinol-enriched oil/fat-containing food product for human ingestion further contains ubiquinone and the ubiquinol/ubiquinone ratio is not less than 1/2 (by weight).

22. (Previously Presented) The process for producing the ubiquinol-enriched oil/fat-containing food product for human ingestion according to Claim 15 wherein the ubiquinol-enriched oil/fat-containing food product for human ingestion has been enriched with ubiquinol and ubiquinone in a proportion of 0.0001 to 50% by weight as ubiquinone based on the total weight of the oil/fat-containing food product.

23. (Previously Presented) The process for producing the ubiquinol-enriched oil/fat-containing food product for human ingestion according to Claim 15 wherein the oil/fat content of the ubiquinol-enriched oil/fat-containing food product is not less than 0.5% by weight.

24. (Previously Presented) The process for producing the ubiquinol-enriched oil/fat-containing food product for human ingestion according to Claim 15 wherein the ubiquinol-enriched oil/fat-containing food product for human ingestion is at least one species selected from the group consisting of edible oils/fats, milk, dairy products, sauces, breads, pies, cakes, confections, roux, seasoning liquors, ice confections, noodles, processed foods, boiled rice preparations, jams, canned foods, and beverages.

25-28. (Canceled)

29. (Previously Presented) The process for producing the ubiquinol-enriched oil/fat-containing food product for human ingestion according to Claim 15 wherein said homogeneous oil/fat composition is an oil-in-water emulsion or a water-in-oil emulsion.

30. (Previously Presented) The process for producing the ubiquinol-enriched oil/fat-containing food product for human ingestion according to Claim 15 wherein the ubiquinol-enriched oil/fat-containing food product is an ordinary food product in a form other than tablet or capsule form.

31. (New) The process for producing the ubiquinol-enriched oil/fat-containing food product for human ingestion according to Claim 15, wherein the oil/fat has a melting point not lower than 20°C.